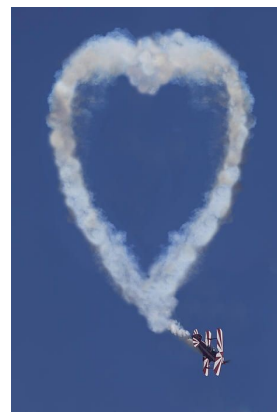




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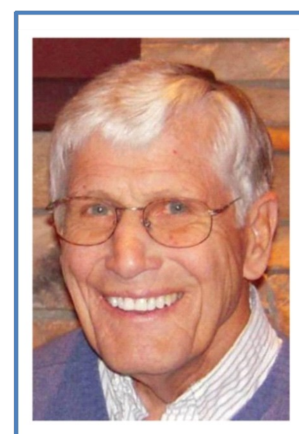
*February, 2017*

## President's Message

### **A Tribute to Cleon J. Biter**

As most of you know Cleon Biter passed away last December after a short battle with cancer. We are all sad about his passing and will miss him as a friend, fellow aviator, and Chapter 43 member. Cleon was an accomplished aviator with a soft spoken personality who was always more than willing and never too busy to help anyone who asked for advice about meteorology, flying, or other subjects he had a knowledge and interest in.

Cleon was a research meteorologist with the U.S. Navy Weather Research Facility in Virginia for five years and then worked for the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder for 29 years, retiring in 1995. While at NCAR he received an Aviation Week and Space Technology Laurels Award and an NCAR Technology Advancement Award. He worked closely with the FAA developing aerial survey routes and ATC procedures for NCAR aircraft conducting atmospheric research in the Denver area. After retiring from NCAR he continued his career as a consulting meteorologist from 1995-2009.



Cleon earned his private pilot's license at the age of 17 and continued flying until early November when he flew his last flight in his RANS S-19. He was a Master Certified Flight Instructor Emeritus, held numerous pilot ratings including land, sea, multi-engine, instrument, private and commercial, and was a flight instructor for several years at Longmont's Vance Brand Airport as well as Mile High Gliding in Boulder. He was always interested in learning new subjects and skills and loved to read, especially about science and aviation subjects. He enjoyed golf, target shooting, and was developing new interests in building robotics.



Cleon's first flight in his S-19, May 14, 2015

We will miss you Cleon - God Speed and Blue Skies

Ken Scott



## **Next Meeting - [Saturday, February 11, 2017](#)**

**7 PM @ the Mt. Evans Room in the Terminal Bldg. @ Metro Airport (BJC)**

***Phil Nelson will present “Extreme weather: what is it, really?”***

Bio: Phil Nelson is chair of the Golden Chapter of Citizens’ Climate Lobby, a non-profit group that seeks national legislation to reduce climate change. He has degrees in geophysics from MIT and has worked for Kennecott Copper, Standard Oil of Ohio, and the US Geological Survey, where his work focused on improving the technologies for finding and extracting minerals and oil and gas, and for disposal of radioactive waste. Since retiring, he devotes much of his time to Citizens’ Climate Lobby.

## ***Upcoming Events Calendar***

Submitted by ***Don Smith***

### **2017 EVENTS**

#### **FEBRUARY**

- |     |     |   |
|-----|-----|---|
| Fri | 3-5 | AAHS 2017 Annual Meeting, Gillespie Field, San Diego<br><a href="http://www.aahs-online.org/Annual_Meeting_2017.html">http://www.aahs-online.org/Annual_Meeting_2017.html</a>   |
| Tue | 7   | AOPA/ASI Safety Seminar, Ramada Northglenn, 10 E 120 <sup>th</sup> Ave, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m,  |
| Sat | 11  | AOPA Rusty Pilots hosted by Front Range Flight School, KFTG, 09:00 AM - 12:00 PM<br><a href="https://www.aopa.org/community/events/2017/february/11/rusty-pilots-hosted-by-front-range-flight-school">https://www.aopa.org/community/events/2017/february/11/rusty-pilots-hosted-by-front-range-flight-school</a> |
| Sat | 11  | EAA Chapter 43 Membership meeting, BJC, 7:00 p.m.   |
| Fri | 17  | EAA Chapter 301 Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m.   |
| Sat | 18  | EAA Skiplane Fly-in, Pioneer Airport (WS17), Oshkosh WI, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. CST   |
| Sat | 18  | Colorado Seaplane Initiative Fundraiser, 2480 Cessna Dr. EIK, 1-3 p.m.  |
| Sat | 25  | EAA Chapter 301 Young Eagles Rally, FTG 8:00 a.m.   |

#### **MARCH**

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|-----|----|---|
| Sat | 4  | Hops & Props, EAA's fine food and beverage-tasting event, AirVenture Museum, 7–10 p.m. CST<br><a href="http://www.eaa.org/hops&amp;props/">http://www.eaa.org/hops&amp;props/</a> |
| Sat | 11 | EAA Chapter 43 Membership meeting, BJC, 7:00 pm   |
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| Sat | 18 | EAA Chapter 43 Young Eagles Rally, EIK 7:30 a.m.  |
| Sat | 25 | EAA Chapter 301 Young Eagles Rally, FTG 8:00 a.m.   |
| Sat | 25 | Jeffco Aviation Association Annual Meeting, KBJC, Mt. Evans Room, 12:00 p.m.  |

***Want Ads & articles for publication may be sent to the editor - [newsletter@eaa43.org](mailto:newsletter@eaa43.org)***

## Want Ads



**Custom Embroidery**  
**Valerie Wait**  
720-352-2630  
1705 Flemming Drive  
Longmont, CO 80501  
email: valandjimw@yahoo.com

Bill Mitchell Reports that these folks can embroider a couple of different sizes of our chapter logo on jackets, shirts, etc. Bill showed some examples at one of our meetings, and they were beautifully done!

## **For Sale: RANS S19 Venterra N232CT**



Asking \$80,000

2015 ROTAX 912 ULS, approx. 117 hours TTA&E, E-AB registered LSA qualified, Dynon avionics; Skyview PFD, radio, intercom, mode S transponder, ADS-B In/Out (2020 compliant), ELT, strobe, Nav and landing lights. Ground Adj. Prop. 24 gal fuel. Canopy cover. Always hangared. No Damage History.

Located at Vance Brand Airport, Longmont, CO.

Contact Friend of Owner: Mike Duggan 720-304-6793

[Dugganboulder@msn.com](mailto:Dugganboulder@msn.com)

## CHAPTER 43 HOLIDAY AND AWARDS BANQUET REPORT

January 14, 2017 Colorado National Golf Club in Vista Ridge

Chapter President Ken Scott started the awards portion of the evening remembering those who have “flown on” in 2016. Cleon Biter’s wife Toni is thankful for the many expressions of sympathy. Ken thanked Craig Nelson for his donation of the Xenotech laser engraver/cutter to the Young Aviators. A “leftover” 2017 EAA calendar was auctioned off for \$11.

**Young Eagles** - Cliff Hasenbalg presented awards for Young Eagle volunteers. Young Eagles flew a total of 182 flights in 2016.

Ground Crew – Daphne Davenport, Jim Elliott, Tryce McEwen, Phyllis Scott, Ken Scott, Scott Serani, Matt Fermanti, Jeff Jones, Hallicutt Gentry, and Dale Serani (Scott’s brother).

Special thanks to Ingrid Jacobson, who started taking photographs for Young Eagles in August 2016.

Pilots (lifetime YE flights in parentheses) – Terri Bazacos (159), Herrill Davenport (368), Ty Garrett, Joe Gilmore, Alan Godman, Cliff Goldstein (84), Paul Hahn, Cliff Hasenbalg (65), Jared Hinkle, Pete Keller (181), Bill Kendall (61), Myles Lee (150), Tyler Mason, Tom Richie (7), Eric Serani (92), Stan Specht (370), and Stephanie Wells (45).

**Young Aviators** – Scott Serani thanked the chapter for support over the past 8 years. Many of the kids who started since the group began are growing up, getting their driving and general aviation licenses. Monday January 16 is the first planning meeting of the year!

**Chapter Officers** – Ken thanked the outgoing and current officers and introduced the new officers elected (or who volunteered) in November:

Steve Paschke and Bill Mitchell, outgoing Vice Presidents; Don Smith, outgoing Director; John Evens, outgoing Newsletter Editor. Val Gregory, incoming Secretary and Newsletter Editor; Myles Lee, current treasurer; John Reuterskiold, current Database Manager and Flight Advisor; Steve Paschke, incoming Webmaster; Phil Brown and Jeff Jones, incoming Vice Presidents; Ken Scott, current Board of Directors Chairman; Stan Specht and Scott Serani, current Directors; and Cliff Hasenbalg and Joe Gilmore, incoming Directors.

**Lifetime Achievement Awards** – Ken Scott presented two 2016 Lifetime Achievement Awards.

A Lifetime Achievement award was given to Scott Serani in recognition of his contributions to and support of Young Eagles, Young Aviators, and the Scholarship program, as well as serving as a Chapter officer. Steve Beach also received a Lifetime Achievement award for his contributions to and support of Kid Venture, the Scholarship program, and Builder Workshops, in addition to serving as a Chapter officer.

### Informal Awards

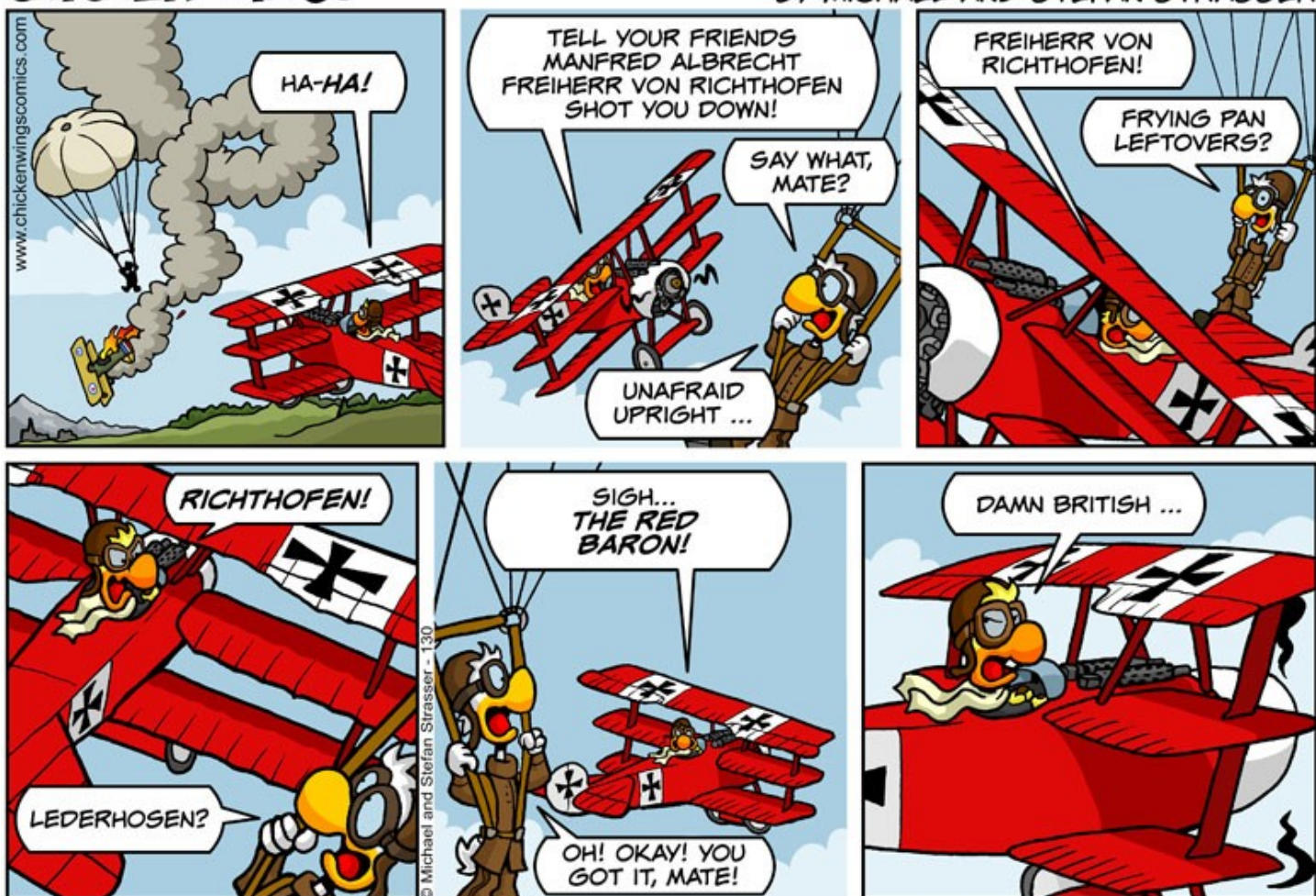
Cliff Goldstein started by reminiscing with Bill Mitchell about building kitplanes in the desert, with kits and parts delivered at the local post office. He pointed out how critical Chapter support is to builders, and thanked Scott Serani for his help with Cliff’s recently completed (after 2 years and 264 days) RV-14A. Cliff called up Jill, Scott’s wife, to present her with the shirt Scott ruined working on the plane’s wings, and he and wife Bonny awarded Scott a replacement shirt!

Respectfully Submitted,  
Val Gregory, Secretary EAA Chapter 43



# CHICKEN WINGS®

BY MICHAEL AND STEFAN STRASSER



Trivia Question - The artist indulged in his license (artistic license, that is) in this comic for the sake of the joke. Be the first to tell the editor at least one of the two things that are wrong **at this month's meeting** to receive a dozen homemade cookies. (That's all I can come up with for a prize off the top of my head! - Ed.)



## Membership Enrollment Information

(Needed for Current Roster & Chapter Correspondence)



**MANDATORY INFORMATION:** *If nothing has changed from last year, this is all the information required. We need EAA Membership # and EAA Renewal date to comply with EAA Charter and Chapter 43 by-laws.*

Date: _____	Annual Dues	\$20.00
Name: _____	Scholarship Donation (Optional)	.00
National EAA Membership #: _____	Total	.00
EAA Membership Renewal Date: _____	<i>Scholarship donations are tax deductible.</i>	

Are you a:

Technical Counselor	Yes ___ No ___
Flight Advisor	Yes ___ No ___
CFI	Yes ___ No ___

*Please make check(s) payable to:  
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P.O. Box 1725  
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**NEW MEMBERS PLEASE COMPLETE - RETURNING MEMBERS OPTIONAL INFORMATION:** *Supply any information that may have changed from previous year (if you want a field deleted from your record, please tag it).*

E-Mail Address: _____	Home Phone: _____ - _____ - _____
Spouse: _____	Cell Phone: _____ - _____ - _____
Street: _____	
City, State, and Zip: _____	

### HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE INVOLVED IN THE CHAPTER?

Participate in Young Eagles functions, either as pilot or volunteer?	Pilot	Yes ___ No ___
	Ground Crew	Yes ___ No ___
Arrange, Or Be, The Program For One Of Our Meetings? -----		Yes ___ No ___
Host A Chapter Meeting At Your Project? -----		Yes ___ No ___
Run for a Chapter Officer Post? -----		Yes ___ No ___
Interested in attending hands-on workshops (under consideration)		Yes ___ No ___

### AIRCRAFT INFORMATION:

Note: Status: ---Built, Building, Restoring, Considering, etc.

<u>Make, Model</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Based At</u>

*To keep costs down the monthly newsletter is delivered via E-Mail (unless otherwise requested). We also send out periodic news items by e-mail.*

**Suggestions:** Please provide any suggestion on things you would like to see the chapter improve on or provide in the future on to any of the chapter officers. The board will review suggestions.

## **2017 Chapter Officers**

<b>President</b>	Ken Scott	303-674-7846
<b>Vice President</b>	Phil Brown	303-506-3886
<b>Vice President</b>	Jeff Jones	303-809-3994
<b>Secretary</b>	Val Gregory	303-908-1252
<b>Treasurer</b>	Myles Lee	720-295-8778

### **Board of Directors**

Ken Scott (Chairman)  
 Stan Specht\*\*  
 Scott Serani\*\*  
 Cliff Hasenbalg\*  
 Joe Gilmore\*

(Note: \*- 2 year terms expire end of 2018, \*\*- 2 year terms expire end of 2017)

### **Volunteer Officers**

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<b>Young Aviators Advisor</b>	Scott Serani	303-358-2858
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<b>Audio/Visual</b>	Herrill Davenport	303-460-7789
<b>Scholarship Chairman</b>	Eric Serani	303-918-5446
<b>Scholarship Fundraising</b>	<b>(Volunteer Needed)</b>	

### **CFI's in Chapter 43**

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Jeff Hinkle	303-550-2291
Bill Mitchell	303-427-4025
Tom Shaw	303-275-0904
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**First Class**



**Meetings are normally held on the second Saturday of each month at 7:00 P.M.—Location determined monthly. See Page 1 for details of the upcoming meeting.**